

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2003 – 07

WHEREAS, the Hoeven Administration seeks to rightsize state government by reducing State employment to the level necessary to carry out essential state services; and

WHEREAS, this Administration seeks to ensure that state government operates efficiently and within its means; and

WHEREAS, this Administration seeks to adjust State employment and services in an orderly and managerially sound manner; and

WHEREAS, management and control of the state's personnel and fiscal resources continue to be essential to the accomplishment of these objectives; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order 2001-03 regarding the Governor's Hiring Council requires revision to reflect a change in hiring guidelines;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Hoeven, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of North Dakota, hereby order and direct the following:

1. The continuation of the Governor's Hiring Council, to consist of:
Lieutenant Governor;
State Budget Director;
Governor Appointee;
Human Resource Management Director;
Classified State Employee;
2. New or vacant non-temporary positions of agencies and commissions of the State of North Dakota, and of the offices of State elected officials who consent to use the Governor's Hiring Council, shall remain vacant and shall not be filled unless prior, written authorization is given by the Governor's Hiring Council in accordance with hiring guidelines the Hiring Council shall establish and may, from time to time, amend.
3. The Governor is vested with the executive power pursuant to Article V, Section I of the North Dakota Constitution.
4. The Governor is vested with the statutory supervision of the official conduct of all executive and ministerial offices pursuant to Section 54-070 1 of the North Dakota Century Code.
5. This Executive Order is effective immediately and will continue until further order of the Governor.

Executed at Bismarck, North Dakota, this 30th day of December 2003.

John Hoeven
Governor

Attest:

Secretary of State

Deputy